Children's Deaths due to Dropsy

†4732. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of children have died because of dropsy in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the measures taken by Government to check the disease of dropsy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Increase in Urological Surgery

4733. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in Safdarjung Hospital and Dr. RML Hospital, majority of the surgical patients are urological patients;

(b) if so, the number of indoor/outdoor patients registered in this two hospitals during the last three years, month-wise and hospital-wise; and

(c) the number of beds available in general ward, special ward and nursing homes for urological patients, hospital-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) No, Sir. It is not a fact that in Safdarjung Hospital and Dr. R.M.L. Hospital, majority of the surgical patients are urological patients.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) while there is no separate/special ward for urological patients in Dr. R.M.L. Hospital, 5 beds in General Ward and in Safdarjang Hospital, 20 beds in General Ward are earmarked for urological patients. In the Nursing Home in Dr. R.M.L. Hospital, beds are not earmarked for any type of patients and are allocated as and when required.

Rural Health Schemes In T.N.

4734. SHRI S.P.M. SYED KHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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